

(b) Government have not come to any decision on the point. The results of the Survey are awaited.

'Officiate' and 'Acting'—import.

416. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state with reference to Cochin Government Gazette, Extraordinary, dated 24th Kumbham 1108 whether the expression 'Officiate' in Notification No. 200 and the word, 'acting' in Notification No. 201 are used synonymously?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is it with reference to these particular notifications or as a general rule that these words are used synonymously?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They have become synonymous now.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know how they have become synonymous? Is it according to the dictionary meaning?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No, according to article 70, C. S. R.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know what it is?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—That article uses the word 'officiating' and does not use the word 'acting', which was in vogue then.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is it brought about by any correction?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know what that correction is?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It says that if an officer officiates in another post he is entitled to allowance, etc., I have not got the copy of the C. S. R. here.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—When was that brought about?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Eight or 9 months ago.

Combination of appointments—provision for.

417. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether an officer who is 'acting' in any particular place or office can hold any other office at the same time;

(b) if so, under which Standing Order or any other Government rules?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.